

# Impeachment Of Post Likely To Be Dropped

## Critic Explains That Official Will Be Able to Delay Action Until After Congress Has Adjourned

### Holds Culpability Shown Evidence Already Produced Sufficient to Convince the People, He Contends

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau  
WASHINGTON, April 30.—Impeachment proceedings against Louis F. Post, Assistant Secretary of Labor, will not be pressed in this Congress, it was intimated at today's hearing before the House Rules Committee on the charges brought against Mr. Post under the Hoch resolution that he had befriended alien anarchists arrested by the Department of Justice.

Representative Johnson, of Washington, chairman of the Immigration Committee of the House, told the Rules Committee that by insisting on the examination of each of 3,000 cases Mr. Post will be able to delay the proceedings until after the present session of Congress is adjourned. He expressed doubt as to the wisdom of attempting impeachment proceedings. He said that should the impeachment move be dropped, Mr. Post would stand impeached before the American people anyhow, because of evidence already produced showing his failure to carry out the deportation law.

Alleged methods of Department of Justice agents in securing evidence against alien members of the Communist party were bitterly attacked by Jackson H. Ralston, counsel for Mr. Post.

Department of Justice Assailed

"These agents, guilty of the dirtiest kind of work," said Mr. Ralston, "organized branches of the Communist party, manufactured evidence, called meetings and made other plans to bring about arrests of aliens."

"These methods I consider most reprehensible," said Representative Doheny, of Illinois.

Representative Campbell, of Kansas, chairman of the rules committee, held that such methods might have been necessary to unearth criminal aliens.

Mr. Ralston demanded a showdown by the House Immigration Committee of all the alleged evidence against the Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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# Fortifications Bill Passed by the Senate

## Measure Carrying 19 Millions in Appropriations Now Goes to Conference

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Without a record vote, the Senate today passed and sent to conference the annual fortifications appropriations bill carrying \$19,383,442 and containing provision for the return to the Treasury of \$800,000 in unexpended appropriations for fortifications. As passed, the bill is an increase of about \$500,000 over the House bill.

Before the final vote, the Senate, after spirited discussion, rejected a committee amendment designed to prevent any further work being done on extensions made at the United States Capitol by Senator Underwood, of Alabama, the Democratic leader. Senator Smoot, Republican, of Utah, led those supporting it.

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The charge grew out of the alleged surreptitious burial of Mrs. Anna Canlies, who died last September, after having been struck by a taxicab. She was listed as unknown, without any notification being given her relatives.

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# Nearly Half a Million Voters HAVE MARKED THEIR BALLOTS FOR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES IN THE FIRST THREE WEEKS OF "The Literary Digest's" Mammoth Poll of 11,000,000 Citizens

THE LITERARY DIGEST is conducting the greatest poll ever taken, outside of a presidential election, to learn whom the American people want for their presidential candidates, and from present indications this poll will register the voice of the people beyond question. Individual ballots have been sent by mail to eleven million voters throughout the United States—almost two thirds of the total presidential vote cast in the last presidential election. Every ballot is mailed in an envelope, addressed with pen and ink, and delivered through the U. S. Post-Office personally to the voter addressed. Return postage on the ballot is prepaid, and the voter has only to check or write the name of his or her Party and the first and second choices for Presidential Candidates, with no other mark of identification, and then drop this secret ballot in the nearest letter-box or Post-Office. Thus every vote cast is absolutely the free, uninfluenced, secret choice of the voter, unknown to any one but the voter himself or herself.

The votes which have arrived up to and including the final press-day of the issue of THE DIGEST for May 1st, include 25,000 received in the first week, 125,000 in the second, and considerably over 300,000 in the third. The next two weeks' returns, it may safely be prophesied, will place the poll's total beyond the million mark. The results are being tabulated and shown in THE LITERARY DIGEST week by week.

To the considerable volume of country-wide newspaper comment on THE DIGEST'S poll, the Boston Globe contributes the following observation: "When THE LITERARY DIGEST poll is completed every one should have a pretty clear hint as to how the country is going."

Among other striking features in THE DIGEST for May 1st are:

**The Public Organizing to Meet the Strike Peril A Nation in Overalls**

**Disappointments in Census Returns**

**The Strikes as Revolts Against High Prices**

**The Destiny of Cabrera in Guatemala**

**German Militarists Trying to Regain Power**

**Collapse of Britain's Middle Class**

**A Peril to South America's Peace**

**Fighting Waste With Movies**

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**Neglecting Our Democratic Safeguard**

**Americans in French Universities**

**Can the Denominations Be Merged?**

**A Call for Religious "Deflation"**

**Our Part in British Indian Foreign Trade**

**The President as Commander-in-Chief—The President and War—Military Forces and the States, etc.**

**Florence Nightingale, "The Lady with the Lamp"**

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